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Ms. Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, Rhode Island 02888

Dear Ms. Massaro:

We are filing, herewith, for effect May 11, 2005, tariff material consisting of:

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With this tariff filing, Verizon Rhode Island ("Verizon RI") proposes to clarify tariff language for ISDN PRI (Integrated Services Digital Network Primary Rate Interface) Services. Specifically, this filing adds additional language to certain sections specifying that no separate non-recurring charges apply to certain ISDN PRI features when the PRIs are purchased under a VTPP Volume Plan. Additional language is also added to clarify that discounted Calling Line Identification rates apply to PRIs on VTPP Volume Plans or 2- and 3-Year Corporate Rewards Plans.

Also, additional language is added to further clarify certain procedures related to PRIs provided under the VTPP.

This filing is administrative in nature and has no effect on ISDN PRI rates.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Frances O'Neill-Cunha of my staff at 401 525-3560.

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10.6.4 Service Capabilities

The following capabilities are supported on the B channels. Voice and circuit switched data capabilities can be combined over the ISDN primary port and local distribution channel.

A. Standard Features

- 1. Circuit Switched Voice provides digitized speech or voice band data access in conjunction with existing services including basic exchange service, Message Telecommunications Service (MTS), and 800 service.
- 2. Circuit Switched Data allows for the origination and termination of bidirectional circuit switched data calls at data rates of 56 kbps or 64 kbps (Clear Channel Capability).
- 3. Call-by-Call Service Selection allows the customer to specify, on a call-by-call basis via D channel signaling, the bearer capability (circuit switched voice or circuit switched data) for calls originated over ISDN primary. The customer will also be notified on a call-by-call basis, via D channel signaling, of the bearer capability and voice call type (Exchange, MTS or 800 service) for calls terminating over ISDN primary.

B. Optional Features

- 1. Incoming Calling Line Identification provides the calling number of an incoming call if both the ISDN primary customer and the originator of the call are served from the same central office switch or served from different central office switches which are connected by facilities that can send the calling party's number between the switches. PRIs on a VTPP Volume Plan or 2- or 3- Year Corporate Rewards Plan have a discounted rate for Calling Line Identification.
- Channel Configuration allows some or all B channels to be dedicated to exchange and MTS, DID, or 800 service. Multiple dedicated trunk groups can be established on the same port or group of ports. The customer must specify at the time of ordering, the number of dedicated B channels and their specific purpose.
- 3. Multiple Facility Signaling Control (MFSC) allows the D channel of one ISDN primary port to provide signaling for up to 19 other ISDN primary ports. The ports must all be served by the same central office switch and must all serve the same customer premises equipment. This feature is provided in conjunction with the backup D channel optional feature. This feature is included in the VTPP Volume Plans, and no NRC applies to this feature under the VTPP Volume Plan.
- 4. Backup D Channel allows a channel of an ISDN primary port to serve as a backup or standby D channel in case of the failure of the D channel of another ISDN primary port. This feature can only be provisioned in conjunction with the MFSC optional feature. The backup D channel cannot be used as a B channel and can back up only one primary D channel. This feature is included in the VTPP Volume Plans, and no NRC applies to this feature under the VTPP Volume Plan.
- 5. Intercom Capability allows completion of calls between an ISDN primary service customer and other digital centrex or ISDN primary service locations within the same subscriber network. Usage charges do not apply to intercom use. This feature is provided per channel.

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- B. (Continued)
- 6. **Network Ring Again** allows a calling station which encounters a busy signal within the subscriber network to be notified by the central office switch when the called station becomes idle. The calling station can then automatically redial the call. This feature is provided per controlling D channel.
- 7. Calling Line Identification with Name allows the user to have access to the directory number and name associated with an incoming call. PRIs on a VTTP Volume Plan or 2- or 3- Year Corporate Rewards Plan have a discounted rate for Calling Line Identification with Name.
- **8. Two B Channel Transfer** allows the CPE to accept a call from one user, then the user can transfer the call to another user outside the CPE, and then both B channels are released.
- **9. Redirecting Number** allows the original calling party number plus the last calling party number to be passed to the end user when a call is forwarded or redirected. The user must have calling line identification or calling line identification with name to enable this feature.
- **10. Modified Redirecting Number** allows the original calling party number plus the last redirected calling party number to be passed to the end user when a call is forwarded or redirected. The user must have calling line identification or calling line identification with name plus redirecting number to enable this feature.
- 11. Optional Feature Package includes calling line identification with name and redirecting number.
- 12. Intercom Capability Package provides ten or more intercom capability features on one PRI for a single rate.

10.6.5 Responsibility of the Telephone Company

- A. Suspension of Service— ISDN primary is not subject to temporary suspension of service.
- **B. Provisions for Other Services** One listing without charge is furnished for each ISDN primary DID number range.

10.6.6 Responsibility of the Customer

- **A.** The customer must specify, at the time of ordering, the number of call-by-call service selection B channels to be activated. Rates and charges apply for changes in the number or type of activated channels, or the number of calls of each type which can be simultaneously carried, made subsequent to the time of ordering.
- **B.** Customer provided equipment used to connect to ISDN primary service must comply with AT&T PUBs 41449, 41459, 5D5–900–312, 5D5–900–322, 235–900–332, 235–900–342 and Northern Telecom NIS A211–1.

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- C. A customer provided channel service unit or equivalent functionality is required at each termination of an ISDN primary service local distribution channel on the customer's premises. The channel service unit must be compatible with the extended superframe framing format and the B8ZS line code.
- **D.** Customer provided switching systems must be arranged to provide for the interception of assigned but unused station numbers, including vacant station number groups as required.

10.6.7 Regulations

- **A. Minimum Service Period** for the ISDN primary port and local distribution channel is one year. The minimum service period for ISDN primary DID numbers is one month.
- **B.** Provisions for Other Services— A customer calling an ISDN primary telephone number can control the disclosure of his directory number by utilizing the blocking option specified for Phonesmart (refer to Part A, Section 7).

10.6.8 Application of Rates and Charges

- A. All local messages are provided at local usage charges for measured business service.
- **B.** PBX trunk, DID trunk charges and other dial tone access line rates and charges, as contained in other sections of this tariff, are not applicable to ISDN primary.

C. Usage

- 1. Voice usage generated by using ISDN Primary will be charged in accordance with the usage rates for the associated service(s).
- 2. For Circuit Switched Data usage for ISDN Primary Service installed prior to October 26, 2002, the customer may either select a circuit switched data usage pricing option set forth in (3) following or continue to be charged in accordance with the usage rates for Switchway. For ISDN Primary Service installed on or after October 26, 2002 the customer must select from one of the two circuit switched data usage pricing options set forth in (3) following.
- 3. Pricing Options –The customer may select from two pricing options for circuit switched data usage. Option 1 circuit switched data usage is provided on a per minute basis with no usage allowance. Option 2 circuit switched data usage is provided with a monthly usage allowance for a flat monthly rate. Any additional minutes of use above the monthly allowance are offered at a discounted rate. Toll charges will apply when circuit switched data calls are made outside of the customer's local exchange area.
- **D.** Initial and additional local distribution channels are provided at the monthly rates for Superpath local distribution channels. The NRC for the initial local distribution channel is the same as the S&E charge specified for Superpath local distribution channels.
- **E.** The VTPP Volume Plans include the PRI Port, with or without the Local Distribution Channel, and the following components are included in the PRI port: Call by Call, Multiple Facility Signaling Control and Backup D Channel.

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10.6.	8 Application of Rates and Charges	
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1.	NRC charges do not apply for ISDN PRIs and features when provided on the VTPP Volume pl or the ISDN Primary Service provided on a Corporate Rewards 2- or 3- year plan.	
2.	2. No additional mileage charges apply for the local distribution channel when provided as part of the ISDN Primary Service on a VTPP Volume plan or a Corporate Rewards 2- or 3- year plan.	
3.	Discounted rates for Calling Line Identification and Calling Line Identification with Name apply to PRIs provided under the VTPP Volume Plan and Corporate Rewards 2- or 3- year plans.	(T) (T)
F.	DID numbers are available at the rates and charges specified in Part A Section 12.	(T)
G.	Where a customer chooses to have ISDN primary provided on a foreign exchange or foreign central office basis, the rate for a Superpath 1.544 Mbps digital service interoffice channel applies.	(T
H.	An ISDN primary customer served from a foreign exchange or foreign central office may request to have service provided from the customer's normal central office when facilities become available in the normal central office without application of S&E charges. A new minimum service period becomes effective when service is established at the normal central office.	(T)
I.	During the term agreement, the customer may add ISDN PRI services at the same monthly rate as specified in the initial term agreement, or the customer may add ISDN PRI services on a month-to-month basis.	(T

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10.6.9 Variable Term Payment Plan (VTPP)

- E. When an ISDN primary VTPP customer served from a foreign exchange or foreign central office requests to have service provided from the customer's normal central office when facilities become available in the normal central office, termination liability charges for customers who have selected a 36-month or 60-month OPP will not apply as long as the quantity of ports and local distribution channels is maintained. The expiration date of the payment period will not change, except when the expiration date would be less than three months from the requested date for service from the normal central office; in this case, the expiration date will be extended to three months from the requested date for service from the normal central office.
- **F.** No additional mileage charges apply for the Local Distribution Channel for ISDN Primary Service when provided as part of a 2- or 3-year Corporate Rewards plan or a 2- or 3-year VTPP Volume plan.
- **G.** Customers with an existing PRI payment plan may convert to a new payment plan without incurring termination liability charges provided the value of the new payment plan is equal to or greater than the remaining value of the existing payment plan.
- H. All of a customer's Telephone Company provided ISDN PRIs within the state will count towards the volume plan threshold. An Application for Service for all PRIs on Term and Volume Plans signed by the customer and the company must be provided. Volume plan customers may change the number of ISDN PRIs during the volume term period. In the event that a customer under a volume plan makes subsequent PRI increases or decreases that cause the total number of PRIs to fall within a different threshold level, all remaining ISDN PRIs will be billed at the applicable level rate for the remainder of the volume plan term period. The customer must provide the account information of the ISDN PRIs included in the volume plan at the time of the initial installation of service and with each change to the service.
- I. Transfer of Service will not be provided.
- **Relocation** If the customer relocates service to a location served by a different but suitably equipped central office within the same state and establishes a PRI payment plan of equal or greater monetary value, the customer may relocate service without incurring any termination liability. If the original service is cancelled with less than 12 months in service, then the applicable Non-Recurring Charges for service at the original location will apply according to the tariff.

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Enclosed are an original and nine copies of the tariff material. Please return a copy of this letter with your stamp of receipt.

Respectfully submitted,

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